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Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action dated August 13, 2003, in the above-identified application, having a THREE (3) month period for response which expires November 13, 2003. Applicants respectfully request the following amendment be entered and the claims considered in light thereof.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.